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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a utility patent is sought on the invention entitled:

PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS FOR TREATING PAINFUL NEUROPATHY AND METHODS OF TREATING SAME

The specification of which was filed on March 25, 2004 with the United States Patent and Trademark Office, assigned United States Serial No. 10/810,362 and bearing Attorney Docket No. 22531-509.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information, which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119(a)-(d) or §365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or §365(a) of any PCT International application designating at least one country other than the United States listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

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